Remarks

Applicant respectfully requests reconsideration of this application as amended. Claims 1, 4, 5, 8, 12, 13, 15, 20, 21, 23, 25 and 26 have been amended. Claims 6, 10, 18 and 27-30 have been cancelled. Therefore, claims 1-5, 7-9, 11-17 and 19-26 are presented for examination.

Claims 1, 2, 6, 8, 10, 11, 15, 16, 18, 19, 23 and 25 stand rejected under 35 U.S.C. §102(b) as being anticipated by Raje Software (Focus on Today). Applicant submits that the present claims are patentable over Raje Software.

Raje Software discloses an ability to obtain sunrise, sunset, moonrise, moonset, lunar phase, and the current local time for any place in the world. A reminder calendar calculates celestial events for any date or place and offers reminders for birthdays and appointments. See Raje Software at page 5.

Claim 1 of the present application recites a value of a variable being associated with an icon representing an image of the value of said variable such that the icon is embedded on a portion of an information display. Applicant submits that there is no disclosure in Raje Software of an icon being associated with a value of a variable, and such an icon being embedded on a display. Instead, Raje Software discloses text information that is associated with a calendar date, and which appears as a calendar note on the occurrence of the date. Nevertheless, associating text to a calendar date is not equivalent to a value of a variable being associated with an icon representing an image of the value of said variable such that the icon is embedded on a portion of an information display. Accordingly, claim 1 is patentable over Raje Software.

Claims 2-5 and 7 depend from claim 1 and include additional features. As a result, claims 2-5 and 7 are also patentable over Raje Software.

Claim 8 recites associating a variable with an icon representing an image of said value of said variable and embedding the icon on a portion of the information display. Thus,

for the reasons described above with respect to claim 1, claim 8 is also patentable over Raje Software. Since claims 9 and 11-14 depend from claim 8 and include additional features, claims 9 and 11-14 are also patentable over Raje Software.

Claim 15 recites associating a variable with an icon representing an image of said value of said variable and embedding the icon on a portion of the information display.

Therefore, for the reasons described above with respect to claim 1, claim 15 is also patentable over Raje Software. Since claims 16, 17 and 19-22 depend from claim 15 and include additional features, claims 16, 17 and 19-22 are also patentable over Raje Software.

Claim 23 recites an image representing a percentage of maximum sunlight for a selected time and a location associated with a calendar entry to be displayed on an information display. Applicant submits that Raje Software does not disclose such a feature. As discussed above Raje Software discloses text associated with a calendar entry. However, nowhere in Raje Software is there disclosed an image representing a percentage of maximum sunlight for a selected time and a location associated with a calendar entry to be displayed on an information display. Consequently, claim 23 is patentable over Raje Software. Because claim 24 depends from claim 23 and includes additional features, claim 24 is also patentable over Raje Software.

Claim 25 recites associating the percentage of maximum sunlight with a calendar entry and displaying an image of the percentage of sunlight on an information display. Therefore, for the reasons described above with respect to claim 23, claim 25 is also patentable over Raje Software. Because claim 26 depends from claim 25 and includes additional features, claim 26 is also patentable over Raje Software.

Claims 3, 7, 9, 14, 17, 22, 24, 27, 28, 29 and 30 stand rejected under 35 U.S.C. §103(a) as being unpatentable over by Raje Software in view of Basterfield. Applicant submits that the present claims are patentable over Raje Software even in view of Basterfield.

Basterfield discloses a color notebook PC that is smaller than a paperback book or a videocassette when closed. Nevertheless, Basterfield does not disclose or suggest associating

a variable with an icon representing an image of said value of said variable and embedding the icon on a portion of the information display, or an image representing a percentage of maximum sunlight for a selected time and a location associated with a calendar entry to be displayed on an information display.

As discussed above Raje Software does not disclose or suggest associating a variable with an icon representing an image of said value of said variable and embedding the icon on a portion of the information display, or an image representing a percentage of maximum sunlight for a selected time and a location associated with a calendar entry to be displayed on an information display. Since neither Raje Software nor Basterfield disclose or suggest such features, any combination of Raje Software and Basterfield would also not disclose or such the features. Accordingly, the present claims are patentable over Raje Software in view of Basterfield.

Claims 4, 5, 12, 13, 20, 21 and 26 stand rejected under 35 U.S.C. §103(a) as being unpatentable over Raje Software in view of Hirai (U.S. Patent No. 5,892,519). Applicant submits that the present claims are patentable over Raje Software even in view of Hirai.

Hirai discloses an information display device including a display, a detector for detecting an environmental variation around a place at which the device is mounted, and a detector for detecting date and time information, in which an image to be displayed on the display is varied on the basis of the detected environment variation information and/or the date and time information. Nonetheless, Hirai does not disclose or suggest associating a variable with an icon representing an image of said value of said variable and embedding the icon on a portion of the information display, or an image representing a percentage of maximum sunlight for a selected time and a location associated with a calendar entry to be displayed on an information display.

As discussed above Raje Software does not disclose or suggest associating a variable with an icon representing an image of said value of said variable and embedding the icon on a portion of the information display, or an image representing a percentage of maximum

sunlight for a selected time and a location associated with a calendar entry to be displayed on an information display. Since neither Raje Software nor Hirai disclose or suggest such features, any combination of Raje Software and Hirai would also not disclose or such the features. Accordingly, the present claims are patentable over Raje Software in view of Hirai.

Applicant respectfully submits that the rejections have been overcome, and that the claims are in condition for allowance. Accordingly, applicant respectfully requests the rejections be withdrawn and the claims be allowed.

The Examiner is requested to call the undersigned at (303) 740-1980 if there remains any issue with allowance of the case.

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